

## Shea, Valois

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**To:** Shea, Valois  
**Subject:** Dewey-Burdock ISL uranium mine (SD)

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Dear Ms. Valois,

As a Black Hills resident and retired pathologist, I am strongly opposed to any attempt to mine local aquifers for uranium. I have carefully reviewed as much data as I can find on the reliability of prevention of cross-aquifer contamination by lixiviant and liberated heavy metals using current techniques. I find no assurance that a mined aquifer can be returned to a pre-mining condition. I'm also concerned by the vast volumes of water required by this process, considering that we live in a semi-arid environment.

I am a proponent (and an experienced user) of renewable-energy generation of electricity. Given the current economics and feasibility of renewable energy plus storage for our electricity needs, I find no justification for potential environmental and public-health risks inherent in further reliance on nuclear power.

Thanks for your consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

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